

24 July 1950

**SUBJECT: CIC and Austrian Police Intervention at
Gmunden Regarding nomination of Orthodox
Church Representative for Salzkammergut.**

1. Reference is made to verbal information given that Jon ADAM will be appointed Orthodox Church Representative (Rumanian) for Salzkammergut.

Necessary steps for such appointment were taken by Rumanian Exile Orthodox Bishop Vasile Victor LEU.

2. This date Bishop LEU (presently residing with ADAM) was called by Austrian gendarmery of Gmunden to respective Austrian police station at Gmunden (Esplanade). ADAM accompanied Bishop LEU to said police station. There they were separated, and ADAM was asked to wait at police station after brief discussion which Austrian police had with the bishop. From Austrian side the chief of gendarmery a typist and a transylvanian Saxon (from Sibiu) as interpreter were present. The Bishop informed that as well Austrian police as later Agent in Charge (CIC) informed him that they disagreed to ADAM's nomination. The Bishop was asked to call back on CIC this afternoon where a list of trusted Rumanians would be given him for nomination. Regarding ADAM he was informed that he enjoyed no confidence.

3. Bishop LEU was advised and asked to withhold any decision for two days (Wednesday) and agreed; he further insists on nominating ADAM.

4. Urgent request is hereby submitted to have CIC Gmunden immediately instructed to abstain from any intervention in this matter and to grant any assistance and security to nominated Jon ADAM now living at Gmunden, Villa Rusten. Such instruction should reach CIC Gmunden not later than Tuesday 25 July 1950, since Bishop LEU has to leave urgently and should be notified by CIC Gmunden before leaving. It is further requested that above Transylvanian interpreter (female) should not receive any knowledge for security reasons, the same should apply to all indigenous personnel employed with CIC Gmunden.

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